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BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE
DECISION TO APPROVE THE MINING
AND RECLAMATION PLAN FOR
MORTON INTERNATIONAL, INC.,
MORTON SALT DIVISION,
GRANTSVILLE OPERATIONS,
TOOELE COUNTY, UTAH

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE NO. M/045/037

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 19 T1N, R5W; SECTIONS 24, 25, 26, 32, 33, 34, 35, T1N, R6W; SECTIONS 16, 19, 20, 21, T1S, R5W; SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, T1S, R7W; AND SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, T1S, R6W, SLBM, TOOELE COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve Morton International, Inc., Morton Salt Division's, Mining and Reclamation Plan for their Grantsville Operations. Mining activities will affect 7,849 acres of private, State and federal lands in portions of section 19 T1N, R5W; sections 24, 25, 26, 32, 33, 34, 35, T1N, R6W; sections 16, 19, 20, 21, T1S, R5W; sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, T1S, R7W; and sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, T1S, R6W, SLBM, Tooele County. The company will continue operations employing the following mining and reclamation techniques:

During Operations

This is an existing salt evaporation operation previously owned by North American Salt Company. Salt is scraped from the solar evaporative ponds using a harvester. The salt is conveyed into a trailer towed behind the harvester. The salt is hauled to the wash plant where it is washed using lake water. The salt is conveyed to a doublewing stacker and stockpiled for storage. Salt is conveyed to the mill by front end loader and conveyor. In the mill, the salt is dried, graded and bagged, or processed into one of several product lines.

After Operations

All processing facilities, buildings/structures will be demolished and the debris removed from the site. Areas in and around the main processing facilities will be backfilled and graded as needed. Areas will be ripped and turned after the structures are removed. These areas will be seeded using a seedmix recommended by the Division. Dikes in the crystallizer will be smoothed down. There will be some grading of material back into the canals. Any residual stockpiled materials will be removed and sold. The remaining canals will be left to erode naturally. Solar ponds and crystallizers will not receive revegetation treatments. The road to Stansbury Island will not be affected by reclamation. The outer dike will remain for flood control if so desired by the County or State at the time of reclamation.

The person representing the company is Mr. Gary C. Price, P.O. Box 506, Grantsville, Utah, 84029-0506; phone (801) 250-6335. Morton International Inc., Morton Salt Division is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Annotated §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to: Lowell Braxton, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 355 West North Temple, 3 Triad Center, Suite 350, Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS ____ DAY OF JANUARY, 1995.

STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

James W. Carter Director

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